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1. WASHINGTON POST EDITORIALY DISCUSSED SENATOR EDWARD
KENNEDY'S VISIT TO USSR AND HIS MEETING WITH BREZHNEV. "ON
STRATEGIC ARMS SENATOR SEEMS TO HAVE TAKEN MOST RESPONSIBLE
COURSE 'LIBERAL' IN SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES COULD TAKE. RATHER
THAN MERELY PROFESS HIS DESIRE FOR DETENTE, HE TRIED TO
CONVEY SENSE OF POLITICAL DIFFICULTIES THAT HAVE BEEN

CREATED IN WASHINGTON FOR BOTH NEGOTIATION AND RATIFICATION OF SALT BY SOVIET UNION'S OWN POLICIES. THAT LET MR. BREZHNEV EXPRESS HIS CONCERN OVER U.S. NEW HIGH-TECHNOLOGY WEAPONS PROGRAMS. HE ALSO EXPRESSED HIS BELIEF, SHARED BY HIS GUEST, THAT FAILURE TO CONSUMMATE MUTUALLY ACCEPTABLE SALT AGREEMENT SOON WOULD HAVE HARMFUL RESULTS EXTENDING CONSIDERABLY BEYOND STRATEGIC ARMS.... SENATOR, BY ACTING IN HIS OWN WAY, WAS IN AN EXCELLENT POSITION TO MAKE ADMINISTRATION'S POINT THAT PROGRESS IN SALT HINGES IN LARGE MEASURE ON KREMLIN'S READINESS TO 'DISARM' AMERICAN RIGHT BY CONDUCTING REASONABLE POLICY. THAT DOES NOT MEAN THAT STRATEGIC EQUATION ITSELF IS OF NO CONSEQUENCE. IT MEANS THAT

POLITICAL EQUATION IS OF GREAT CONSEQUENCE. THAT IS WHAT 'LINKAGE' IS ALL ABOUT. EVIDENCE OF KENNEDY VISIT IS THAT MOSCOW IS GETTING MESSAGE."

2. UNITED PRESS INTERNATIONAL, IN DISPATCH FROM MOSCOW WEDNESDAY, REPORTED THAT KENNEDY HELD SECRET-POST-MIDNIGHT MEETING WITH SOVIET DISSIDENTS ONLY HOURS AFTER SENATOR MET WITH BREZHNEV. UPI QUOTED DISSIDENT PHYSICIST ANDREI SAKHAROV AS DISCLOSING THAT KENNEDY ASKED THEM FOR THEIR VIEWS ON SALT."I REPLIED THAT QUESTIONS OF INTERNATIONAL SECURITY AND HUMAN RIGHTS ARE MUTUALLY DEPENDENT FROM PHILOSOPHICAL VIEWPOINT, BUT THAT ON PRACTICAL LEVEL THEY ARE NOT RELATED. I SAID SALT SHOULD

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ONLY BE DECIDED ON BASIS OF MUTUAL INTERESTS OF BOTH COUNTRIES." CHRISTOPHER

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